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Re: Application of Tom R. Jackson and Anne Marie Fraboni titled "High Hardness,
Highly Ductile Ferrous Articles"

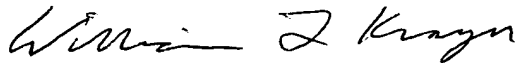
Preliminary Amendment

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment accompanies the application identified above. Please note that, on page 10, line 15, the inventors have initialed a change to correct an inadvertent error – namely "0.80 inch" has been changed to -0.080 inch--.

Please enter this amendment to correct the number as indicated by the inventors. A new page 10 accompanies this amendment. The new page 10 is identical to the original except for the substituted number in line 15, and of course the handwritten notation.

Respectfully submitted,



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